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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

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DIRECTOR

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Dear Local Health Department Partners,

The Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) has re-opened its COVID-19 complaint portal for consumers regarding MDARD regulated establishments at www.michigan.gov/mdardcomplaints. After the Supreme Court ruling, the site was temporarily deactivated.

Since that time, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) issued Epidemic Orders related to gatherings and face coverings. MIOSHA also released Emergency Rules covering some of the other requirements that were previously under the Governor's Executive Orders. The complaint site will now be referencing these materials instead of the Executive Orders.

MDARD will be responding to MDHHS Epidemic Order complaints received on or after October 9, 2020. All complaints regarding food service establishments licensed by a local health department will be forwarded to the appropriate local health department for response.

We will retain the historical information about complaints on the previous Executive Orders; however, enforcement will occur based on non-compliance with the MDHHS Epidemic Orders.

Local health departments may forward complaints regarding MDARD licensed facilities directly into the complaint page at www.michigan.gov/mdardcomplaints; by email to MDARD-EOComplaint@michigan.gov; or to their food service program consultants.

Important Links:

[MDHHS Epidemic Order -- Gathering Prohibition and Face Mask Order](#)

[MIOSHA Emergency Rules](#)

[MIOSHA Workplace Guidelines for all Employers](#)

Please contact your food service consultant if you have any questions. Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tim Slawinski".

Tim Slawinski, Director
MDARD Food and Dairy Division